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SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION IN PLEIKU

DAO FOR AOSOP-OR

1. OUR PROVINCE REPRESENTATIVE IN PLEIKU REPORTS THAT A
DEMONSTRATION INVOLVING SEVERAL THOUSAND PEOPLE BEGAN AT
0900 THIS MORNING (OCT 6) TO PROTEST THE RECENT SEIZURE BY
THE ENEMY OF PLEI DJERENG.

2. PROV REP WAS INFORMED THAT THE DEMONSTRATORS WILL BREAK
INTO TWO GROUPS; ONE GOING TO II CORPS HEADQUARTERS TO TALK
TO GENERAL TOAN AND THE OTHER GOING TO THE ICCS COMPOUND
WHERE THEY WILL ATTEMPT TO PRESENT A PAER TO THE HUNGARIAN
AND POLISH DELEGATIONS. THE PAPER WILL BE A STRONGLY-WORDED
PROTEST AGAINST THE PLEI DJERENG SEIZURE AND A CONDEMNATION
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OF THE ICCS FOR ITS FAILURE TO RESTRAIN THE NVA/PRG.

3. AT II CORPS HEADQUARTERS, GENERAL TOAN WILL ALSO BE PRESENTED WITH A PROTEST AND AN OFFER BY LOCAL BUSINESSMEN OF \$VN 150,000 TO THE FIRST ARVN UNIT TO RE-OCCUPY PLEI DJERENG. IN ADDITION THE BUSINESSMEN WILL OFFER \$, 100,000 TO ANY INDIVIDUAL TROOPER WHO DESTROYS AN ENEMY TANK.

4. IN THE EVENT THAT THE HUNGARIANS AND POLISH DELEGATIONS REFUSE TO MEET WITH THE DEMONSTRATORS, THEY WILL RESORT TO STONE THROWING THEN NAME CALLING.NO WEAPONS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED IN THE HANDS OF THE DEMONSTRATORS, HOWEVER, THE ICCS HAVE BEEN INFORMED.

5. IT SEEMS CLEAR TO US IN NHA TRANG THAT THIS IS A CAREFULLY STAGED DEMONSTRATION OF THE SAME TYPE EXPERIENCED IN HUE, BAN ME THUOT AND ELSEWHERE LAST FEBRUARY AGAINST THE JMC. RIGHT NOW THERE IS LARGE-SCALE, FRIENDLY MILITARY ACTIVITY TAKING PLACE IN PLEIKU AIMED AT RETAKING PLEI DJERENG. HOWEVER, NOTHING IS BEING BRIEFED ABOUT THIS ACTIVITY SO WE HAVE FEW DETAILS . CLEARLY THE OBJECT OF THE CURRENT DEMONSTRATION IS TO SHOW OVERWHELMING POPULAR BACKING FOR THE MILITARY PUSH WHICH IS NOW UNDER WAY.
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